

**École St. Germain Parent Advisory Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday November 7/2012, 7:00pm, ESG Library**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Attending:** Janet Harbottle, Bev Padeanu, Sharon Coughlan, Melanie Cleutinx, Susanne Dandenault, M. Henri Peloquin, Nicole Hohner, Cindy Baerr, Jan Thiessen, Alison Huppe, Tracy Igonia, Meaghen Shangreaux, Lorelei Douglas, Janice Morissette, Sharon Coughlan

**Regrets:** Audra Peters, Mme. Amy Haworth, Mare Richardson, Heike Sobkow, Jaquelin Martinez, Nicole Hohner, Heike Sobkow, Mme. Valerie Allard, Inga Sif Kristjansdottir, Lee Ann Riel, Suzanne Suzio, Cindy Bennett

**Guests:** Christian Michalik

**1. Call to Order:** 7:02 pm

**2. Approval of Agenda:** motioned by Tracy Igonia, seconded by Alison Huppe.  
PASSED

**3. Approval of Minutes for October 2012:** motioned by Jan Thiessen, seconded by Susanne Dandenault. PASSED

**4. Welcome Christian Michalik:** Christian addressed PAC:

- Highlighted the biography of our new LRSD superintendent, Duane Brothers. Mr. Brothers visited ESG earlier this week and was impressed with the school.
- Discussed the new provincial report card. Volunteer participation this year. Complimented the staff and administration on their efforts.
- Cap of 20 students in grades K-3 initiative is underway, as part of 5 year plan. LRSD has been analyzing the needs and communicating with Province of Manitoba. More dialogue and collaboration is required.

## 5. Unfinished Business:

- **Vote in any new members**-no new members.
- **Sister school (Amy Haworth looking into)** - deferred to next meeting.
- **25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration** - event was a good success, 150 people attended.
- **Field trip/classroom funds** - discussed the possibility of PAC supporting field trips or classroom funds. Sharon Coughlin motioned that PAC does not financially support general classroom funding. Seconded by Bev Padeanu. PASSED
- **Drinking fountains (Henri Peloquin was looking into costs)** - Coke drink machine has been removed from ESG. LRSD has recognized the water issue and has identified an acceptable water unit for use in LRSD schools. Cost is \$1500 per unit, plus approximately \$1000 installation. Board is discussing retrofitting existing water fountains in schools. PAC discussed supporting this initiative. Christian Michalik to research LRSD's position and possible funding. Bev Padeanu motioned that PAC spend up to \$1500 for a water unit. Seconded by Jan Thiessen. PASSED

## 6. New Business:

- **PAC support for school run clubs including book club and knitting club** – Discussed PAC's possible financial support for these worthwhile clubs. Melanie Cleutinx motioned that PAC pay \$198.50 to Mme Gnutel for knitting club supplies purchased. Seconded by Susanne Dandenault. PASSED. Susanne Dandenault motioned for PAC to pay up to \$200 to book club. Janice Morissette seconded. PASSED
- **Bag it up Manitoba** – plastic bag collection has ended.
- **Campbell's soup labels – Janice Morissette** – new total is over 20,000 points. Points could be redeemed for lacrosse set, camera, etc. PAC decided to continue accumulating points for now. A notice will appear in the newsletter to remind parents to bring in their Campbell's soup labels.

- **Rocks and rings (Tracy Igonia)** – all-day event that brings curling into school. Cost is \$175/day. Kids love it. M. Peloquin will discuss with gym teachers. Janice Morissette motioned to spend up to \$350 for rocks and rings, pending approval by gym teacher and administration. Seconded by Sharon Coughlan. PASSED
- **Budget review parent volunteers (Henri Peloquin)** - Annual LRSD budget consultation is on Monday Nov 19 at 7:00 pm. Looking for 2 parent volunteers for ESG team. Also looking for 4 delegates for November 27 (7:00 pm) meeting on blended classrooms and multi-grade education. Potentially Lorelei Douglas and Jan Thiessen for Nov 19 as well as Janet Harbottle and Janice Morissette for Nov 27. PAC members to check their schedules and let M. Henri Peloquin know about availability.

**7. Treasurer's Report** – see Appendix A for details.

**8. Administrator's Report** –

- Sound system has been ordered for classroom trial. 13 classrooms have expressed interest.
- \$1136 raised for UNICEF
- \$1690 raised for Terry Fox
- Letter went out with appointments for parent/teacher times

**9. Committee Reports:**

- Education Committee - nothing to report.
- Environment Committee - will be meeting in the near future.
- Fundraising Committee
  - QSB sold 205 subscriptions (approximately \$2000 profit)
  - Show-n-Save sold 274 books (approximately \$1800 profit)

**10. Next meeting Dec 5<sup>th</sup> and meeting adjournment 8:55 pm.**

## APPENDIX A

Ecole St. Germain Parent Advisory Council			
October 2012 Financial Statement			
Account Balance at October 1, 2012			<b>\$15,793.65</b>
<b>Credits:</b>	31-Oct-12	Interest	\$0.94
	12-Oct-12	Show and Save deposit	\$3,240.00
	18-Oct-12	Show and Save deposit	\$695.00
		<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>\$3,935.94</b>
<b>Debits:</b>	05-Oct-12	Cheque #066 - Staff Appreciation	-\$22.47
	06-Oct-12	Cheque #092 - Sept babysitting	-\$10.00
	10-Oct-12	Cheque #090 - PoM payment	-\$2,790.00
	11-Oct-12	Cheque #091 - Patrols (Leadership)	-\$45.00
	27-Oct-12	Cheque #089 - Oct babysitting	-\$20.00
		<b>Total Debits</b>	<b>-\$2,887.47</b>
<b>Account Balance at October 31, 2012</b>			<b>\$16,842.12</b>
	Plus Future Income		
		<b>Total Future Income</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
	Less Future Commitments:		
		Greening Project	-\$462.24
		Shrubs	-\$257.38
		CJS Scholarship 2012/2013	-\$300.00
		Student Leadership (patrols, etc.)	-\$1,055.00
		Babysitting for PAC meetings	-\$120.00
		Staff Appreciation Week	-\$400.00
		Grade 8 Farewell Dinner (\$15/student)	-\$750.00
		PAC costs	-\$207.27
		BBQ 2013/2014	-\$300.00
	#093	Show and Save - payment	-\$2,244.00
		<b>Total Debits</b>	<b>-\$6,095.89</b>
<b>Total Funds Available</b>			<b>\$10,746.23</b>